To: Smith, Bonnie[smith.bonnie@epa.gov]; White, Terri-A[White.Terri-A@epa.gov]

From: Ferrell, Mark

**Sent:** Tue 2/18/2014 5:32:24 PM

Subject: final responses to Rockefeller questions

These just cleared by HQ:

Q1. Have you received the summary from American Water regarding residuals in piping? Has EPA done an independent work on this?

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Q2. Could you please provide a brief update on clean-up efforts?

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Q3. Has sampling for PPH below 2 PPM been completed? What levels is the chemical being tested at?

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Q4. Any more information on why formaldehyde could have been more common the toilet tanks or Mr. Simonton's testing methods?

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From: Smith, Bonnie

Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2014 10:18 AM

**To:** Burns, Francis; Wisniewski, Patti-Kay; White, Terri-A; binetti, victoria; Ferrell, Mark **Subject:** HOTSITE REPORT: Update - Freedom Industries, Charleston, WV + possible comm.

Dear Fran, Patti-Kay, Vicki, Terri and Mark,

Patti-Kay welcome back!

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-bonnie

INTERNAL DELIBERATIVE ENFORCEMENT CONFIDENTAL information included in my notes
BJS notes from today's meeting, Fran Burns HOTSITE to follow: PLEASE NOTE: ENFORCEMENT CONFIDENTAL INFORMATION INCLUDED IN MY NOTES
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From: Burns, Francis

Sent: Monday, February 17, 2014 1:42 PM

To: R3 HOTSITES

Subject: HOTSITE REPORT: Update - Freedom Industries, Charleston, WV

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From: Burns, Francis

Sent: Sunday, February 16, 2014 12:33 PM

To: R3 HOTSITES

Subject: HOTSITE REPORT: Update - Freedom Industries, Charleston, WV

OSC Dennis Matlock reports that water pumping operations are continuing inside the eastern area of the containment and in the interceptor trench. The facility is pumping out and cleaning an additional storage tank. The tank with a capacity of 400,000 gallons will be ready for water storage, as a large amount of water is expected from the snow melt. The facility continues to load the remaining marketable product into tanker trucks for transport off-site.

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Sent: Saturday, February 15, 2014

To: R3 HOTSITES

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